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HOUSE BILL 516

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39, relative to domestic abuse.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-13-113, is amended by deleting subsection (g) in its entirety and substituting the following:

(g)

- (1) A violation of this section is a Class A misdemeanor. Notwithstanding the authorized punishment for a Class A misdemeanor established in § 40-35-111(e)(1), a violation of this section is punishable by a fine of not less than two hundred fifty dollars (\$250) nor more than two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500), and any sentence of incarceration imposed shall be served consecutively to the sentence for any other offense that is based in whole or in part on the same factual allegations. However, the sentencing judge or magistrate may specifically order the sentences for the offenses arising out of the same facts to be served concurrently.
- (2) The fine imposed in subdivision (g)(1) shall be paid to the clerk of the court imposing sentence, who shall transfer it to the state treasurer, who shall credit the fine to the general fund. All fines so credited to the general fund shall be distributed annually to:
 - (A) Isaiah 117 House; or
 - (B) In counties in which Isaiah 117 House does not have physical presence, Tennessee Court Appointed Special Advocates Association

(CASA). This appropriation shall be in addition to any amount appropriated pursuant to § 67-4-411.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2019, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to violations occurring on or after that date.